IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.:

09/841,490

Confirmation No.:

3750

Filing Date:

April 24, 2001

Inventors:

Wellington et al.

Title:

IN SITU THERMAL

PROCESSING OF A **HYDROCARBON**

CONTAINING FORMATION

TO PRODUCE

HYDROCARBONS HAVING

A SELECTED CARBON

NUMBER RANGE

Examiner:

G. A. Suchfield

Art Unit:

3672

Atty. Dkt. No:

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

(under 37 CFR § 1.114)

This is a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of application number 09/841,490, filed on April 24, 2001, entitled IN SITU THERMAL PROCESSING OF A HYDROCARBON CONTAINING FORMATION TO PRODUCE HYDROCARBONS HAVING A SELECTED CARBON NUMBER RANGE. Wellington et al. Inventors: Art Unit: 3672 G. A. Suchfield Examiner: Shell Oil Company Recorded at: Reel 012237, Frame 0271 Assignee: Correspondence Address in Prior Del Christensen Shell Oil Company Application: P.O. Box 2463 Houston, Texas 77252-2463

Application Elements

1. X Filing Fee

A Fee Authorization Form authorizing a deposit account debit for the RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is enclosed.

- 2. M Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- 3. Amendments

An amendment is enclosed.	
Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on	under 37
C.F.R. § 1.116.	
Please consider the arguments in the response filed on	under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.
Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply	Brief filed on .

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- 4. Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for Extension of Time
- 5. Return Receipt Postcard

If an additional extension of time (under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136) is necessary to prevent the above referenced application from becoming abandoned, the appropriate extension of time is requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C., Deposit Account No. 50-1505/5659-01100/EBM.

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FEE AUTHORIZATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees to Shell Oil Co. Deposit Account Number 19-1800/TH1935:

1. Request for Continued Examination Fee

\$770.00

TOTAL AMOUNT:

<u>\$770.00</u>

The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fee or other fees that may be necessary to the same account number. If the above-mentioned account is found to have insufficient funds, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account Number 50-1505/5659-01100/EBM.

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